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**Subject:** USACE Labor Standards Enforcement Program

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**1. References.**

a. Contractor Industrial Relations (CIR) INFORMATION LETTER NO. 95-10, dated 13 December 1995, subject as above.

b. ER 1110-1-8, LABOR RELATIONS, dated 30 December 1994.

**2. Purpose.** This bulletin is to bring attention to findings contained in Reference 1.a. which was sent to Division Commanders .

**3.** While significant Davis-Bacon Act wage underpayment recovery was realized in FY 95, the level of job site labor standards interviews has continued to decline. Reference 1.a., among other things, provides statistics by division for the average number of interviews per contract for fiscal years 1978-1995. For FY 1995 the figures range from a high of eight to a low of one interview per contract. The average number is 4.3. In FY 1972 the average number was 17.1. This development in conjunction with the increasing level of monitoring on the part of public contract monitoring groups such as the National Alliance for Fair Contracting suggests that more attention to interviews is warranted. While the continuous decline in field resources versus a steady increase in tasks is fully recognized our responsibilities as outlined in Reference 1.b. remain. We should try to find more efficient ways of accomplishing more interviews per contract. It is noted that four Corps divisions performed at or above 7.7 interviews per contract and the rest were all at or below 4.8. The reasons for this significant difference are not readily apparent.

**4.** This Construction Bulletin was coordinated with the Office of the Chief Counsel (CECC- L) and the Operations, Construction and Readiness Division (CECW-OC).

  
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